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Abraham—page 306, Mr. Martyn commences a
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further the purpose of introducing the former into
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success in your undertaking, I remain your affec-
tionate brother,
WM. WHITE.

Right Rev. Thos. C. Brownell.
I do cordially concur in the foregoing sentiments
of the Presiding Bishop.
JOHN HENRY HOBART.

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part of your time to such a work.

I am, respectfully, your friend and brother,
ALEX. V. GRISWOLD.
Right Rev. Thos. C. Brownell.
Bristol, January 4, 1822.

Richmond, (Vir.) January 19, 1822.
Right Rev. and dear Sir,—I have received your
communication upon the subject of the Liturgy, and
shall be happy in affording you every encouragement
in the accomplishment and circulation of your in-
tended work.

Never was there a system of devotional exercises
constructed with so much piety, or so well calcu-
lated to meet the views of an intelligent worshipper.
It is my fervent prayer, that the same spirit which
animated those who arranged the service of the
Church, may accompany your efforts in the explana-
tion of its beauties, and the recommendation of its
observance.

With sentiments of unfeigned regard, believe me,
Right Rev. and dear Sir, your affectionate friend and
brother,
RICHARD CHANNING MOORE.
Right Rev. Bishop Brownell.

Baltimore, January 3, 1822.
Right Rev. and dear Sir,—I am very much pleased
to learn that you have determined to carry into ef-
fect the design you were pleased to intimate to me,
at the last Convention, with regard to the commen-
tary on the Book of Common Prayer. It will be a
most valuable acquisition to the Episcopal families
in the United States. The "Family Bible" and this
Commentary, will constitute a very complete domes-
tic library.
With sincere regard and affection, I am your
Brother in Christ.
JAS. KEMP.
Right Rev. Bishop Brownell.

New Brunswick, Jan. 3, 1822.
Right Rev. and dear Sir,—The compilation of a
commentary on the Common Prayer Book of our
Church, which you express a design to undertake,
will doubtless be a very useful and laudable work.
For, though many excellent commentaries already
exist, they are in the hands of but few persons;
partly from the circumstance, that they are not
adapted to the Book of Common Prayer of the
American Church, as altered from that of the Church
of England; and partly from the scarcity of copies.
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the expense of purchasing a number of works on
the same subject. A careful and judicious compi-
lation from the most esteemed among them, adapted
to the Common Prayer Book of the American Church
would therefore put it in the power of many persons,
especially Clergymen with small salaries, to furnish
themselves with whatever is most useful of such ne-
cessary information. Your design, therefore, meets
with my approbation, and I heartily wish you suc-
cess in the performance of it.

With very great regard and affection, I am, Right
Rev. and dear Sir, your friend and brother,
JOHN CROES.

Right Rev. Dr. Brownell.

Charleston, Jan. 20, 1822.
Right Rev. and dear Sir,—The work which you
are contemplating is certainly a desideratum; and
may be made the vehicle throughout our Church in
these States, of a kind of information, which is too
little found among its members. The old standard
works on the Common Prayer are not to be had by
people in general; and the more recent popular
works, of which I esteem Shepherd's (unhappily
left unfinished) the most, having not been reprinted
in this country, are very little known. Persuaded
that practical christianity can in no way be better
promoted, than by causing the Book of Common
Prayer to be rightly understood and used, I look
upon your design with very great satisfaction, and
trust it will be blessed to a result both honourable and
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I am, dear Sir, with very great regard, your
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George Schock.

Nov. 22—



Columbian Observer.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1822.

* * * The Publication Office of the COLUMBIAN OBSERVER is removed to No. 9¹/₂, South Fourth street.

J. Q. Adams's Six Letters.

We would be obliged to any friend who may have them in his possession, for the loan of John Quincy Adams' famous *Six Letters*. As the Democracy of Mr. Adams begins to be credited and talked of, by politicians of a certain pure and disinterested cast, it becomes a matter of importance, to know the principles and foundation of a political character, so totally repugnant to his public conduct, his family prejudices, and his ardent professions. We wish to place the character and principles of Mr. Adams before the people in their real light; and we do not doubt but their impressions will agree with ours as to his entire destitution of every quality that constitutes a Republican.---Heretofore, we have felt disposed to treat this assumption of Democracy, by Mr. Adams' retainers, with unmingled levity and ridicule, for we did not imagine it possible that any man in his sober senses would so far violate all reason and judgement, as to credit the impudent pretension; much less did we ever calculate upon the fact which so recently occurred, of a portion of the Democracy of Pennsylvania receiving without disgust, the recommendation of Mr. Adams for the Presidency, from a journal professedly belonging to our party.---Such events are indeed calculated to excite wonder; but not wonder only. We are shocked and startled by the daring inroads which are every day made, upon the purity of our Republican Creed. If we can admit Mr. Adams to be a Democrat---Why Democracy means any thing or nothing. But, thank heaven, this cannot be. Liberty is not a *chimera*; nor is Mr. Adams the Grand Magician, who can turn truth to falsehood, or vice to virtue, by the waving of his wand. We wish, therefore, to examine his notorious *Six Letters*, as they may possibly contain some proof of this new-fashioned Democracy!

THE NEXT GOVERNOR.

We look with pleasing, but at the same time anxious emotions, to the conduct of the good old Democratic party of Pennsylvania, in relation to the next Governor. Every thing, past, present and to come, exhorts and calls upon the people to be firm, vigilant, cautious, and united, upon this very important and critical subject. It is agreed on all hands, that our next Governor should be an undeviating, consistent, and uniform Democrat; and should be the free choice of the party, independent of all dictation, or the artful machinations of men, whose former attempts to rule the Democracy of the State with an iron sceptre, has broke in upon our forces, and caused power to revert to our opponents. We contend for the *free agency and free action of the entire party* in relation to our next Governor; and we maintain that no three, or four, or half a dozen individuals, ought to be permitted to guide and controul the party, at their pleasure, and in any direction their avarice or selfishness may point to. We hope the *Democracy of this State*, will never succumb to the arbitrary behests of a little knot of would-be great men, who once before, were the cause of our overthrow and dejection, for the gratification of a single family. Let us grow wise by the pangs of sad experience; and keep our eyes upon certain individuals in a very busy part of the state, who are attempting to blend Federalism with Democracy, and to introduce to the high seats of authority, the doubtful converts from English Federalism, to a new fangled Republicanism. Those who would dictate John Q. Adams to the people, as our next President, would not be backward in attempting to make a Governor for the party, whose principles and consistency would not be superior to his. The liberties of Rome, and Greece, and Venice and Switzerland were all prostrated by the *Aristocracy* of certain families, who aspired to rule the state by their agents and instruments, whilst they themselves kept concealed behind the curtains till the moment arrived when all was ripe for action. Then they rushed forward before the people, and seizing the reins of government, avowed the compact by which they had established their despotism. The present is a critical moment with the *Democracy of Pennsylvania*; if we make one false step, the ascendancy is lost. Let us recall the recollections of the *past*, to guide us with safety through the crisis; and let us at all events shun, what must always be a pernicious evil, the advice and intrigues of an *Aristocratic* compact shrouded in the mystery of retired modesty, at the same time that its agents are actually plotting and devising, by secret means, to elevate men of inconsistent principles to the highest

places. We feel anxious for the ascendancy and character of the Democracy of this State; and we are consoled in the confidence we place in the good sense, and unshaken principles of our Democratic brethren.

Nomination of Electors.

We have heard it suggested, that the Convention, which will be chosen to nominate the next Governor, will also nominate *Electors of President and Vice President*. This method of proceeding, if it is indeed contemplated, does not appear to us to be altogether unexceptionable. The time fixed for the nomination of Governor, will be too early for the nomination of *Electors*; and may be taken advantage of, by discontented men, to set it altogether aside, thus throwing discord and confusion among the party, an event that we not only fear, but do most sincerely deprecate. When we consider the great diversity of opinion, that has prevailed among the people, in regard to the Presidential Candidates; as well as the want of a full and fair discussion of their pretensions and merits, it must be admitted, that so early a nomination would tend to interfere with the *mature judgments* of the people, and rather wear an appearance of *dictation*, than of mere nomination. Under a Democratic Constitution, every proceeding that approaches to this character, should be strictly avoided both for the sake of consistency and concord. Let the people inquire and reflect upon this subject fully, before their votes are pledged to any man. It is the most important question in the whole Republic; and demands to be maturely weighed, before it is finally acted upon. With these impressions we would advise our Democratic brethren, to put off the nomination of *Electors*, till a more mature period, than that fixed on for the Convention for the nomination of Governor. Never let it be said, that the Democracy of Pennsylvania were guilty of Dictation, even by implication, or appearance.

[COMMUNICATED.]

Mr. Woodward, of this city, has in press, and will shortly publish in a neat octavo volume of about 600 pages, on a beautiful large type, the *Life of the Rev. Dr. Thomas Scott*. We are informed that Mr. W. has intentions of making it uniform with the complete works of that distinguished theological writer, published some time since by him in seven volumes.

A likeness of the author will be given in this volume.

From our correspondent at Harrisburg.

Legislature of Pennsylvania.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, December 10.

The Speaker laid before the house a letter from the Auditor General, stating his inability to effect the loan of \$400,000 authorised by an act of the last session.

Petitions for relief were presented by Mr. Riner, Mr. Gilmore and Mr. Wise, all of which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Cassat presented a petition from the Gettysburg bank, praying for a renewal of their charter.

Mr. Reynolds presented two petitions for a renewal of the charter of the Farmers Bank of Lancaster.

Mr. Dale presented the petition of David Bennage, praying for a divorce from the bands of matrimony---Referred to Messrs. Dale, Snyder and Diver.

Mr. Gilmore presented a petition from inhabitants of Butler county, praying for aid to the Franklin and Butler Turnpike Road Company.---Mr. Oliver presented a petition from inhabitants of Mercer county, praying for an alteration in the road laws---Referred to committee on roads.

Mr. Cassat made a report on the different items of the Governor's message.

Mr. Sterigere reported a bill for the relief of Patrick Lyon.

Mr. Lehman reported a bill entitled "An act to incorporate the musical fund society of Philadelphia."

Mr. Todd's resolution relative to certain alterations in the insolvent laws was adopted.

An item of unfinished business relative to the claim of the commonwealth against Peter Baynton and the estate of John Nicholson, was referred to Messrs. Dechert, Dale and Knight.

The bill authorising the treasurer of Indiana and Jefferson to sell unsold lands for taxes, and the bill authorising a review of the road from Pittsburg to Mercer, passed a second reading, without opposition.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 11.

A message was received from the Governor transmitting resolutions of the state of North Carolina, relative to appropriations of public lands for the purpose of education.

Mr. Cassat presented seven petitions of similar tenor from sundry inhabitants of Adams county, praying for an extension of the charter of the Bank of Gettysburg; when a motion was made by Messrs. Cassat and Holgate, to refer said petitions to the committee on banks, which was decided by yeas and nays in the negative. This decision did not appear, from the debate, to arise from any hostility to the bank, but solely from the circumstance of the petitions having been presented at the last session of the legislature, withdrawn on leave by Mr. Cassat yesterday, and now re-presented. Yeas 45, Nays 49.

Mr. Gardner presented fourteen petitions, for improving the navigation of the Susquehanna, under similar circumstances, which were also refused a reference.

Mr. Riner made a report unfavourable to the petition of Elizabeth Will.

Mr. Porter reported a bill for the relief of Catharine Cadwallader.

Mr. Lehman, from the committee on roads, reported a bill to incorporate a company for making a turnpike road from Butler to the Alleghany river.

Mr. Riner, from the committee on claims, reported a bill granting compensation to Jo-

shiah Lewis, for lands certified to Connecticut claimants; and an act for the relief of Henry Stauffer, an old soldier.

Mr. Hummel reported a bill, authorising the sale of the real estate of Jacob C. Miller, deceased.

Mr. Hays reported a bill to vest all the estate of which William Robeson died seized in a certain tract of land, in the heirs of Sarah Robeson, deceased.

Mr. Leaman's resolution relative to the Delaware and Chesapeake Canal, was adopted; as was also Mr. Todd's, relative to the disposal of turnpike road and bridge tolls.

The various subjects of the Governor's Message were, on motion of Messrs. Cassat and Wright, referred to committees.

The resolution offered on the 7th inst. by Mr. Sutherland, relative to excusing certain persons from serving as jurors on trials for murder in the first degree, was considered and adopted.

Copy of a Resolution offered in Senate by Mr. Hill, December 10.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of Pennsylvania in general assembly met, That the following amendment be proposed to the Constitution of the United States of America:

Article.---Elections for President and Vice President of the United States, shall be held in each state within the United States, and also in the states which may hereafter be admitted into this union, at such times, and conducted in such manner as shall be provided by the Legislature of each state respectively, at which elections the citizens of the respective states, qualified to vote for members of the most numerous branch of the Legislature, shall be permitted to vote for a President and Vice President of the United States, one of whom shall not be an inhabitant with themselves.

Immediately after the elections shall have been holden in the different states agreeably to the provisions of this article; and the several state laws made pursuant thereto, triplicate returns shall be made and certified, in each of the counties in every state, containing the names of the persons voted for, the office for which each person was polling, and the number of votes in words at length given for each candidate, one of which returns shall be filed in such office in each county as the Legislature thereof shall direct, one other shall be inclosed, sealed and so transmitted to the executive of the proper state, who shall cause all the returns so received to be truly copied in a book kept for that purpose, and shall enclose, seal and so transmit all the returns to the seat of government of the United States, directed to the President of the Senate, the triplicate return shall be forwarded from the several counties in each state, (in such manner as the Legislature thereof shall direct) to the speaker of the house of Representatives in Congress.

The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall in the presence of the Senate and House of Representatives, open and compare all the returns, and the votes shall then be counted: the person having the greatest number of votes for President shall be President if such number be a majority of all the votes given, and if no person have such majority a President shall be chosen agreeably to the provisions of article 12 of the amendments to the United States Constitution. The person having the greatest number of votes as Vice President shall be Vice President if such number be a majority of all the votes given, and if no person have such majority the choice of Vice President shall be made agreeably to the provisions of article 12 of the amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Extracts from a Report made to the Senate by the Committee on Roads of last session.

"It appears that 146 turnpike road companies have been prior to the present session, authorised by law, of which 84 have received letters patent from the department of state.

"The number of Bridges, without taking into the account those which individuals were permitted to erect, authorised to be constructed by companies is 49---of which 30 only have been confirmed by letters patent.

"The number of Canal and Lock Navigation Companies authorised is 18, of which 9 have made progress in their works

"The number of miles of turnpike roads contemplated by the various charters of the companies which have received letters patent, is two thousand five hundred and twenty one, of which there have been completed one thousand eight hundred and seven, of these roads twelve hundred and fifty miles are of solid stone, having on their surface no angle greater than four and a half or five degrees, even in crossing the highest mountains.

The amount of capital subscribed toward these improvements by individuals, including the subscriptions of a few Banks, and which has been paid, or is expected to be paid, is \$4,139,137

The amount subscribed by the Commonwealth to the same, is 1,061,512

To these sums, if these be added one half the amount of the existing debts of the companies, which it is probable the roads have cost more than the amount subscribed by the state, and by solvent individuals, say 381,585

It will appear that to turnpike roads there has been subscribed & appropriated in Pennsylvania, the sum of \$6,401,474

Towards the construction of Bridges, also, it will appear, that a great appropriation has been made.

The stock subscribed by individuals, amount to 1,629,200

That subscribed by the Commonwealth, to 382,000

And if half the amount of debts be added as in the former case, 40,395

The amount contributed toward the construction of Bridges, will have been \$2,051,795

To Navigation Companies, individuals have subscribed 1,416,610

The Commonwealth has subscribed 130,000

And if to these sums be added the cost of the works at the two Conowingo Canals, estimated at 220,000

The probable amount expended on the Lehigh, by White & Co. which cannot fall short of 150,000

And having out of view the expenditures made by the Schuylkill & Susquehanna, and Delaware & Schuylkill navigation companies, the result will show an appropriation to this branch of internal improvement of

If all these subscriptions, appropriations and individual expenditures, be added together, the amount will be little short of \$10,300,000

When the works now in progress shall be completed, there will be

Two complete stone Roads running from Philadelphia to Pittsburg, 300 miles each length, one of which is already finished.

One continued road from Philadelphia to the town of Erie, on the lake of that name passing through Sunbury, Bellefonte, Philadelphia, Franklin and Meadville

Two Roads, having but a few miles of turnpike deficient, from Philadelphia: one to New York state line, in Bradford county, passing through Berwick; and one to the northern part of the State, in Susquehanna county, passing through Bethlehem.

And one continued road from Pittsburg to Erie, passing through Butler, Mercer, Maumville and Waterford.

The north, north western and western portions of the state will then be connected with the metropolis, and afford facilities for trading and transportation, unequalled as yet, in the U. States.